

27 January 1956

MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director (Plans)

SUBJECT: Implementation of Killian Report
NSC Action 1430:
Specific Recommendation C.10

1. By virtue of its action on 4 August 1955 (number 1430) the NSC "noted that the responsible agencies have concurred either in full or with qualifications in the following recommendations and will implement them as indicated in the comments." The comments as far as this Agency is concerned have been embodied in a memorandum from the DCI to Executive Secretary of the NSC dated 6 June 1955 under the subject of "NSC Action 1355" (TS #103738).

2. Specific Recommendation C.10 of the Killian Report reads as follows:

"A heavy long-term investment should be made in the preparation of covert agents as eventual sources of high-level intelligence."

This recommendation is one on which the CIA has full responsibility for study and report to the NSC. Within CIA this recommendation falls in the area of your responsibility.

3. I understand that FI had already been considering this problem prior to the Killian Report and has moved ahead on it. In order that the Director may be prepared as necessary to report to the NSC on action taken to implement the Killian Report, I would appreciate receiving a statement by 1 April 1956 of progress on this recommendation.

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